

Attorney Docket
No. 35740XYCD**REMARKS**

The amendments presented above amend the title and the abstract of the specification. A copy of the new Abstract, on a separate unnumbered sheet, accompanies this document. In addition, several typographical errors that were discovered in the originally filed text have been corrected. These amendments were also made in the prosecution of the parent application.

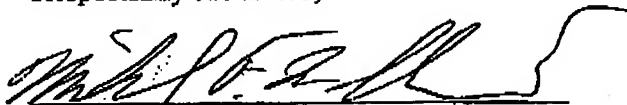
The claims have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over the claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,681,994. A terminal disclaimer to U.S. Patent No. 6, 681,994 accompanies this Amendment and Response to Office Action.

An Information Disclosure Statement, a Fee Transmittal form and a Transmittal form also accompany this Amendment and Response.

Entry of the amendments and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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